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DEEP BRAIN STIMULATION IN MOVEMENT DISORDERS

The applications reconsidered

1. The globus pallidus internus should be abandoned as a target for deep brain stimulation in Parkinson disease.
2. In spite of the stimulation-induced behavioral changes that can appear after bilateral stimulation of the subthalamic nucleus in Parkinson patients, this nucleus remains the target of choice for deep brain stimulation in patients with advanced Parkinson disease.
3. When one has an eye for something, one sees it better: the stimulation-induced behavioral changes after bilateral stimulation of the subthalamic nucleus often only become apparent when one specifically asks about them.
4. Bilateral stimulation of the subthalamic nucleus can considerably improve the way patients with multiple system atrophy-parkinsonism function.
5. Bilateral stimulation of the medial part of the thalamus is a promising new therapeutic approach in patients with refractory Tourette syndrome, not only because of the effect on tics, but also because of the effect on associated behavioral symptoms.
6. Religion has caused more problems than it has solved.
7. Attitude is more important than aptitude.
8. Children learn more from imitation than from instruction.
9. As you get to know people better, their faces become prettier.
10. The more the marble wastes, the more the statue grows.

Michelangelo